

ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT APPLICATION

An anonymous donor has given a sum of money through American Baptist Churches USA to be used for programs that address "housing, feeding, education and health with regards to the less fortunate." The donor's primary concern is to help ameliorate poverty. ABCUSA will distribute grants of up to \$5,000 semi-annually as long as this donor continues to make donations. Recipients will be selected largely based on the degree to which the funds will be used to directly assist those in poverty. Applicants must be in relationship with American Baptist Churches USA to be eligible to apply.

1. General Information:

Organization Name Bethel Neighborhood Center
Affiliation with ABCUSA Neighborhood Action Program/ABHMS
Address 14 South 7th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101
Phone 913-371-8218 Federal Tax ID# 23-7098818
Contact person Rev. Mang Sonna email msonna@bethelcenter.org

2. Please submit with your application a copy of:

- Your mission statement (**A Brochure Submitted**)
- Your most recent annual report or **audited financial statement (Submitted)**

3. How do you plan to use the requested funds? How will the funds specifically assist individuals battling poverty and its effects? (Please submit on separate sheet. Maximum of one page.)

4. Total cost of the project \$179,679 (After School and Summer Youth Enrichment Programs)

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$5,000

6. Your other funding source(s) American Baptist Churches of Central Region, United Way of Wyandotte County, Wyandotte Health Foundation, and local churches

I certify that all the information submitted with this application is true and correct, and that if a grant is awarded, we will use the funds for the purpose stated.

Rev. Mang Sonna, Executive Director/Pastor
Name/Title

February 27, 2013
Date

Please note:

- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Application deadline is March 1 for grants distributed on April 15; Sept. 1 for grants distributed on Oct. 15
- Completed applications should be sent to:
Mission Resource Development
American Baptist Churches USA
P.O. Box 851
Valley Forge, PA 19482-0851



3. How do you plan to use the requested funds? How will the funds specifically assist individuals battling poverty and its effects?

Through our after school and summer youth enrichment programs, we serve more than 125 neighborhood students from low-income families annually. Our 42-week long after school and summer programs help students from grades 1-9 with their homework, reading, social skills, recreation, self-esteem, leadership development, and to set goals and achieve them. We conduct vacation bible school every summer for our neighborhood students. The schools where our students come from registered more than 94 % of their students as enjoying free or reduced lunch. Knowing the level of poverty and the scarcity of food in our community, we serve dinner (full meal) during our after school program and lunch during our summer program with the help of Harvesters: the Community Food Network based in Kansas City, MO.

The requested funds will be used to buy school supplies and backpacks, gas/fuel for our vans that pick up and drop off our students from home/school to Bethel Center and back to their homes, healthy snacks, age appropriate books, educational field trips, and game materials for our students. We will also use the money to invite motivational speakers to speak to our students. If we have any money left, we will use them to buy food for our food pantry.

We believe that education is one of the most important tools to break the cycle of poverty. Having all the required school supplies and backpacks will motivate our students not only to go school but to learn. We have seen and helped some of our refugee students who had no school supplies as their parents didn't know what all were necessary to go to school. A Burmese student we once helped said, "Having school supplies and a backpack makes me feel equal with the rest of my friends and having them make me feel good."

Many of the families and students we serve at our Center are living in poverty mostly due to the lack of education. The parents do not have the skills they need to get good jobs, and their children will continue to live in poverty unless they are educated and equipped with the right knowledge and skills.

Many of the students we work with never went to parks, educational fieldtrips, or recreation centers with their parents as their parents could not afford to take them. After a donor made it possible for our students to visit a Science City, our students want to know more about science and they become more inquisitive. The fieldtrips we took/take are helping them to increase their knowledge as they help them to know more than their immediate environment. Knowing what is out there and what people do, we believe, is helpful for them instead of accepting life as it comes.

As many of the parents do not speak English, they cannot help their children with their homework. They are very pleased seeing their children motivated to go to school with their homework done, reading and speaking English better, improving their grades, and able to interpret for them. Bethel Neighborhood Center plays a very important role in the growth and development of the students who came/come to our Center.

Since we serve our community as the hands and feet of Jesus Christ, the activities we do at our Center help the overall development of our neighborhood students in particular and the residents in general.

BETHEL NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31,

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 270,779	\$ 108,519
Investments	<u>151,548</u>	<u>151,340</u>
Total Current Assets	422,327	259,859
FIXED ASSETS		
Property, Equipment and Improvements		
(Net of Accumulated Depreciation of \$243,229 and		
\$234,145)	<u>87,501</u>	<u>96,585</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 509,828</u>	<u>\$ 356,444</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 1,521	\$ 9,237
Payroll Liabilities	2,305	2,369
Other Liabilities	<u>674</u>	<u>2,709</u>
Total Liabilities	4,500	14,315
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	<u>505,328</u>	<u>342,129</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>505,328</u>	<u>342,129</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 509,828</u>	<u>\$ 356,444</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**BETHEL NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011**

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE			
Public Support			
Contributions			
American Baptist Churches:			
National and Central Region	\$ 150,386	\$ -	\$ 150,386
Bequest	177,518	-	177,518
Grants	59,704	-	59,704
Individual and Other Gifts	96,116	-	96,116
Total Public Support	483,724	-	483,724
Revenue			
Dividends and Interest	1,242	-	1,242
Rent	4,684	-	4,684
Other	4,099	-	4,099
Total Revenue	10,025	-	10,025
Total Receipts	493,749	-	493,749
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	-	-	-
Total Public Support, Revenue and Transfers	493,749	-	493,749
EXPENSES			
Program	284,552	-	284,552
Management and General	44,259	-	44,259
Fundraising	1,739	-	1,739
Total Expenses	330,550	-	330,550
Change in Net Assets	163,199	-	163,199
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	342,129	-	342,129
Net Assets, End of Year	<u>\$ 505,328</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 505,328</u>

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**BETHEL NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011**

	Program Services	Support Services		
	Community Services	Management and General	Fundraising	Total
Salaries	\$ 117,999	\$ 28,616	\$ -	\$ 146,615
Employee Health Benefits	9,484	4,690	-	14,174
Retirement	11,304	2,175	-	13,479
Payroll Taxes	9,138	1,390	-	10,528
Total Salaries and Related Expenses	147,925	36,871	-	184,796
Accounting Fees	3,213	279	-	3,492
Audit	2,800	1,200	-	4,000
Conferences, Conventions and Meetings	1,979	-	-	1,979
Equipment Rent	3,315	169	-	3,484
Family Support	2,399	-	-	2,399
Health Education	26,911	-	1,739	28,650
Insurance	1,251	140	-	1,391
Maintenance Equipment and Building	7,100	526	-	7,626
Membership Dues	653	220	-	873
Miscellaneous	5,593	-	-	5,593
Newsletter	1,489	215	-	1,704
Christmas Shop	1,686	-	-	1,686
Postage	1,533	250	-	1,783
Rental Expenses	1,149	-	-	1,149
School Program Supplies and Trips	4,867	-	-	4,867
Senior Program Supplies and Trips	2,792	-	-	2,792
Summer Program Supplies and Trips	4,509	-	-	4,509
Break the Chain	11,739	-	-	11,739
Staff Development	725	122	-	847
Supplies	1,098	413	-	1,511
Telecommunications	2,649	583	-	3,232
Utilities	9,706	3,271	-	12,977
Vehicle Fuel and Maintenance	3,439	-	-	3,439
Youth Stipend	1,000	-	-	1,000
100th Anniversary	23,948	-	-	23,948
Total Expenses before Depreciation	275,468	44,259	1,739	321,466
Depreciation	9,084	-	-	9,084
Total Expenses	\$ 284,552	\$ 44,259	\$ 1,739	\$ 330,550

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**BETHEL NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,**

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Changes in Net Assets	\$ 163,199	\$ 37,038
Adjustments to Reconcile Change Net Assets to Net		
Cash from Operating Activities		
Depreciation Expense	9,084	6,329
(Increase) Decrease in Value of Investments		(6,431)
Increase (Decrease) in Operating Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	(7,716)	1,673
Payroll Liabilities	(64)	2,053
Other Liabilities	(2,035)	2,709
Total Adjustments	(731)	6,333
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	162,468	43,371
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
(Increase) in Equipment	-	(22,989)
(Increase) Decrease in Investments	(208)	(4,599)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	(208)	(27,588)
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-	-
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Equivalents	162,260	15,783
Cash and Equivalents, Beginning of Year	108,519	92,736
Cash and Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 270,779</u>	<u>\$ 108,519</u>

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Our History

The doors of Bethel first opened on April 1st, 1911. The primary mission was to serve immigrants from Eastern Europe who were living near or working in the meat packing plants of the West Bottoms of Kansas City.

The neighborhood has gone through many changes over the last 100 years but our mission remains the same.

Bethel is committed to help empower and strengthen the lives of those living in our community.



Our Mission

"to offer a renewed sense of hope, through the sharing of material, educational, health, social, and spiritual resources."

Bethel's programs and services are open to everyone. Bethel is a welcoming and loving place for you to find hope and comfort.

Bethel Neighborhood Center

14 South 7th Street
Kansas City, Kansas 66101

phone: 913-371-8218

fax: 913-371-5206

email: info@bethelcenter.org

BethelCenter.org

Regular Business Hours:

Monday – Friday

9:00am – 5:00pm



Bethel

Neighborhood Center

offering a renewed sense of hope



Serving as the hands and feet of Christ
Since 1911

Our Programs and Services

Senior Program

Come join us for a great program and lunch. If you are 60 years old or better you're more than welcome to attend.

Monday – Friday
9:00– 11:30am

After School Program

1st – 8th grade students are invited to attend our after-school program. We help with homework, play games, and go on fun and educational field trips.

Monday & Tuesday (1st – 5th)
Wednesday & Thursday (6th – 8th)

Food Pantry

Open to all Wyandotte County residents. Must bring Photo ID and proof of residency (e.g. BPU bill).

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:
9:00am – 2:30pm
Wednesdays: 9:00am-12pm

Healthy Lifestyles

Our registered nurse and staff teach classes for the seniors and youth on how to live a healthier life. Our nurse is also available for consultations and questions.

Tuesday and Wednesday

ESL Class

Our English as a Second Language classes are open to the public. Classes are offered free of charge. Call for more information and updated class times.

Summer Enrichment Program

Our program at Bethel is a safe and fun way for your child to enjoy the summer. We have games, field trips, crafts, and much more!

June - August

Refugee Assistance

We work closely with various refugee groups to help make their transition and assimilation easier. We offer translation, advocacy, transportation,

Meal & Worship

Please join us for a community meal and worship service every Friday night. Dinner begins at 5:30pm followed by an informal worship service. All are welcome.

Community Garden

Our garden helps to strengthen community bonds, provide food, and create recreational and therapeutic opportunities for our neighborhood. Bethel is also available to help you start your own garden at home.

"Bethel is like a second home to me and many others..."

Bethel Senior